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**AV EXPRESS 2017 - 2018 School Year: March 2, 2018 Edition**

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**Upcoming Events:**

March 3rd [Teen Job & Career Fair](#), 1-4 pm, Pleasanton Senior Center

March 6th [Comedy Night](#) at Tommy T's featuring Regina Stoops and Stacey Gustafson.

March 14th [Excellence in Education Awards](#) due by midnight.

March 17th [ACE Code Day](#), 2-7:30 p.m.

March 19th	<u>PTSA Scholarship Applications Due</u>
March 21st	PTSA Association Meeting, 7:00 pm, I-1
March 24th	Junior Prom
March 27th	Diploma change information due to Office
March 27th	<u>Youth in Government Day</u>
March 28th	AVHS Band Night of Drums and Dance, 7-9 Large Gym
March 28th	<u>When Your Child Leaves Home</u> , 7-8pm, AVHS Library
March 28th	<u>SAT II Math Mock Test + Review Session</u> , 6:30-8:30 pm, FHS B-26
March 31st	<u>Early Bird Discount Tickets</u> for Graduation Night and Senior Ball Breakfast Tickets or Baccalaureate Tickets <u>volunteer Signups</u>
April 2nd-6th	NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
April 9th - 20th	CAASPP Testing for Juniors
April 19th	AVHS Band Spring Concert
April 20th	<u>Senior Collages Due</u>
April 22nd	<u>Outstanding High School Coach nominations</u> of the Year due
April 27-29th	<u>CA State PTA Annual Convention</u> , Ontario, CA
May 7 - 18th	AP Testing
May 13th	<u>Photo for Baccalaureate Due</u>
May 16th	PTSA Association Meeting, 7 pm, location TBD
May 19th	Senior Ball
May 24th	<u>Tri-Valley Sports Final Outstanding Athletic Awards</u>
May 28th	NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
June 1st	Graduation, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., AVHS Stadium



### Upcoming Important Dates:

- **ATTENTION JUNIORS:** California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) testing window is from April 9-20.
- **ATTENTION SENIORS:** Diploma Change Forms due to Mrs. Stephenson in the office on March 27



**2018 Commencement**

**Class of 2018 Commencement  
Friday, June 1, 2018  
7:30pm - 9:30pm  
AVHS Stadium**

Please refer to the Senior NEwsletter for more details.

**To make a voluntary donation toward the Graduation Ceremony,  
please visit the [AVHS Webstore link](#).**

**Thank you for your contribution!**

**Diploma Names:**

Student names on diplomas will include the student's first, middle, and last name as it appears in Q. If you would like your name printed other than how it appears on the **Q Demographics page**, you must see Mrs. Stephenson in the main office to complete a Diploma Change Form.

Diploma Change Forms are due on **March 27th**.

**Diploma Presenters:**

In May, students will have the opportunity to select their diploma presenters (from a list of current Amador staff only). Please look for an email from administration at that time.



**Updates from the AV Counseling Office**

**Upcoming Access Presentations and Workshops:**

- March 15: Junior Presentations for alpha **A-Com** and **T-Z**
  - **(Ms. Haskell & Mrs. Jones)** \*
- March 21: Junior Presentations for alpha **Lin-Per** and **Pes-S**
  - **(Mrs. Bell & Mrs. Zarrinkhat)** \*
- March 22: Junior Presentations for alpha **Con-Her** and **Hes-Lim**
  - **(Ms. Walker & Ms. Pacheco)** \*

**\* Please note, the junior presentations are required on the student's assigned day.**

- April 12: "Finding Fit"
- May 10: "Transition to College"

**Summer School 2018:**

Summer school applications will be available on April 9, and they are due on May 17. If summer school is needed, students will receive a letter from their counselor indicating course suggestions.

***Remember to give your teachers and your counselor AT LEAST two weeks notice (of business/school days) for a letter of recommendation.***

 [AV Guidance Counseling alphabetical breakdown Information](#)  
 [AV Counselor contact listing](#)



**After School Tutoring Available**

[Amador's Academic Assistance Program](#) is designed to provide students with additional support after school in the following core academic subject areas: **Math** (up to Pre-Calculus), **Science** (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics), **English** and **History** (general support in college prep courses). **Tutoring is held Monday through Thursday until 4:00 p.m. in the Amador Library.** Tutors include teachers and peer tutors.



## **AVID Info/Resources**

The [AVID team](#) at Amador Valley wants to share monthly [tips and strategies](#) that are good for ALL students. Check back each month to see what is new! [FEBRUARY POSTED](#)



## **AV Quick Links**

- [Class of 2018 Senior Service Information](#)
- [Access Bell Schedule & FAQ](#)
- [From the Principal's Desk Video links \(check right side for links\)](#)



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## **SLATE OF NOMINATIONS FOR PTSA BOARD**



The Nominating Committee of Amador Valley High School PTSA would like to present the following nominations for the 2018-2019 PTSA Board:

- President - **Robin Diaz**
- 1st Vice President, Membership - **Soojin Hwang**
- 2nd Vice President, Communications - **Adriana Araujo**
- Secretary - **Monica McCarthy**
- Treasurer - **OPEN**
- Financial Secretary - **Shawn Copenhagen**
- Auditor - **Maya Balyasny**
- Historian - **Elizabeth Lester**

Nominations will also be taken from the floor during our March General PTSA Meeting (March 21st, 2018). We still have many Chair positions as well if you are interested in being involved but not certain you want to hold a board position. Please contact the nominating committee at [nominatingcommittee@amadorptsa.com](mailto:nominatingcommittee@amadorptsa.com).

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**NEW LINKS AVAILABLE -  
HELP A TEACHER TODAY!**

Support our Amador Valley staff directly with various classroom needs. Check the [links to the departments](#) and click the staff name you wish to support. Thank you for supporting our Amazing AV Academic Team!

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## SENIOR PARENTS 2018 INFORMATION & DEADLINES



- **Tickets** for **Grad Night** (includes Senior Ball Breakfast) - \$180 by 3/31/18 / \$200 on/after 4/1/18. **Baccalaureate tickets** are \$2.50. **Purchase tickets** to any or all events **online**.
- **VOLUNTEER SIGNUPS** for the Senior Ball Breakfast and Graduation Night: <http://signup.com/go/gaUWhSE>
- April 20 Senior Collages Due
- May 13 Photo for Baccalaureate Due
- Gift Cards, Boxer Briefs, & Monetary donations for Ball Breakfast & Grad Night please drop in boxes at AVHS Office Activities Desk.

Information and questions answered at [www.amadorseniorparents.org](http://www.amadorseniorparents.org)

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## Call for Nominations: 2018 Excellence in Education Awards



Has a special teacher or staff member made a difference in your child's education?

The Pleasanton PTA Council is pleased to announce the launch of the 2018 [Excellence in Education](#)

[Awards Program](#).

To nominate an outstanding staff member in the Pleasanton Unified School District, please fill out this [online nomination form](#) and **submit it by** 12 midnight on Wednesday, **March 14**, 2018.

Paper copies of the nomination form can be requested from your school principal and must be received, along with a copy of your nomination letter, in the Pleasanton PTA Council's mailbox at the PUSD Office, 4665 Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, by 4 pm on Wednesday, March 12, 2018.

**Please save the date!** The **awards ceremony** will be held the evening of **Monday, May 7** (venue to be announced).

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## WHEN YOUR CHILD LEAVES HOME, March 28, 7-8pm

FREE PARENT WORKSHOP



When Your Child Leaves Home

Whether it's your first, middle or last child leaving, transitioning can be difficult. This interactive workshop, led by DVHS **Support Counselor Joe Ianora**, will focus on some of the **issues surrounding your child moving on and how to prepare for a successful transition** into a new family dynamic. During this hour-long workshop we will have an opportunity to share, discuss and prepare for transitions, which can include: ***loss of purpose, anxiety, sadness/joy.***

Joe Ianora is a licensed therapist who has worked in secondary education for over 30 years. He is a former high school principal, a husband, and a parent of 3 children. **Register TODAY!** Event is Wednesday, March 28th from 7-8pm in the AVHS Library.

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## PPIE RUN FOR EDUCATION - April 15th



### Pleasanton Run for Education- Prices **GO UP on March 12th - Get in Early**

Register by March 12th to get the early bird discount. Prices increase after that date.

If you have ever thought about running a 5k, 10, or 15k, or if you want your kids to burn off some excess energy, join us on April 15th for the 6th annual Pleasanton Run for Education. All of the proceeds directly benefit our schools. We also have a kid's challenge for the littler ones.

All runners will get a tech shirt, finisher's medal, goody bag, & entertainment. In addition we will host a fabulous expo.

The PPIE Run for Education is not only a way to raise funds for the schools, but also a great way to build community. Grab a neighbor, friend or family member and join us by walking, running or cheering.

Register at [ppierun.com](http://ppierun.com) by March 12th to get the reduced price. Also follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to keep up to date on all run information.

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## YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT DAY

Are you interested in local government? Do you want to spend a day shadowing government officials? The City of Pleasanton and PUSD invites all Pleasanton high school students to **Youth in Government Day** on **March 27th**. Students will have the opportunity to hear from Pleasanton's leaders and shadow the staff that makes



## TEEN JOB & CAREER FAIR, March 3 from 1-4 pm



Saturday, March 3, 2018 1 - 4 PM  
Pleasanton Senior Center  
5353 Sunol Boulevard, Pleasanton, CA 94566

**FREE ADMISSION!  
FREE FOOD FOR JOB SEEKERS!**

Meet with Employers • Apply for Jobs  
Mock Interviews • Resumé Workshops  
How to Sell Yourself & More!

Bring a copy of your resumé and dress in professional attire

Info: [Ptownlife.org](http://Ptownlife.org), (925)931-3432, or [Info@Ptownlife.org](mailto:Info@Ptownlife.org)

Don't Miss Your Chance For a Summer Job!



The City of Pleasanton partners with the cities of San Ramon, Dublin, Danville and the Dublin/San Ramon Women's Club to present the annual **Teen Job & Career Fair** on Saturday, **March 3, 2018** from **1:00pm - 4:00pm** at the **Pleasanton Senior Center** (5353 Sunol Blvd). *Admission is free to all teen job seekers and lunch will be provided.*

This free event gives teens ages 14 through 19 the opportunity to meet with over 30 local employers, pick up applications, and apply for jobs. The event will also feature mock interviews, resume and interviewing workshops, and career panels. Volunteer opportunities are also available for those students not ready for employment.

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## TRI-VALLEY OUTSTANDING ATHLETIC AWARDS



Did you have a high school Coach this academic year that made a difference in your sports training and will also have a positive impact on the rest of your life? Now you have a chance to thank that person by nominating him or her for the Tri-Valley Sports Final Outstanding High School Coach of the

Year Award.

This is the fourth year for the Coach of the Year Award. Last year's winner was volleyball coach Chris Kim from Amador Valley High School who was nominated by both students and parents for the work and inspiration he provided. [More information found on the Press Release.](#) **Nominations due April 22, 2018.**

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## AV SPIRIT WEAR AVAILABLE

Show your Amador Pride! AV Spirit Wear is available year round for purchase. There are Hoodies, Tees, Tanks, PJs & more available at our Spirit Store. Limited supply available at the activities desk in the office. Contact [Laura Harris](#) for a full selection of items or text your



order to 925-989-6298. We can fill orders in one day!

Spirit wear makes great gifts for current or incoming AV student!  
Go Dons!

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